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- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been [X]established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and [ ] 1.27 is enclosed.

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# PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

# In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph at page 1, lines 3 through 6 with the following paragraph:

## **RELATED APPLICATION**

This application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/127,227, filed July 31, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,399,354. The entire teachings of the above application are incorporated herein by reference.

